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SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL NUCLEAR POLICY STATEMENT

REF: STATE 067973

1. PRIME MINISTER TINDEMANS AND FOREIGN MINISTER
VAN ELSLANDE BEING ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL, I SAW DIRECTOR
GENERAL GROOTHAERT TODAY AND INFORMED HIM OF THE ESSENCE
OF THE FORTHCOMING PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT.

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2. IN A PRELIMINARY RESPONSE, GROOTHAERT MADE THE
FOLLOWING POINTS:

A. BELGIUM RECOGNIZES THE NEED TO AVOID THE FURTHER
SPREAD OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE CAPABILITY AND WILL APPROACH
THE ENVISAGED INTERNATIONAL CONSULTATIOS CONSTRUCTIVELY.

B. BELGIUM ADHERES SCRUPULOUSLY TO THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY AND IAEA SAFEGUARDS BUT IS CONCERNED THAT NOT ALL NUCLEAR NATIONS ARE EQUALLY BOUND.

C. BELGIUM FEARS THAT NATIONS WITH THE CAPABILITY TO PRODUCE NUCLEAR WEAPONS HAVE A TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANTAGE OVER THE BELGIAN NUCLEAR INDUSTRY.

D. BELGIUM WANTS TO HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO EXPORT NUCLEAR FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY AS OTHER COUNTRIES AND WILL OPPOSE ANY DISCRIMINATION WHICH WOULD DISADVANTAGE BELGIAN INDUSTRY.

3. GROOTHAERT WILL INFORM TINDEMANS AND VAN ELSLANDE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. RENNER UNQTE CHRISTOPHER

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